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Former Baseball Coach Charged with Embezzlement

Valencia High School's former head baseball coach pleaded not guilty today to charges that he embezzled between \$10,000 and \$15,000 from the school and a booster club over a six-year period, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office announced.

Jared Scott Snyder (dob 3/8/70) is scheduled to return on March 6 to the Foltz Criminal Justice Center, Department 50, in case BA432673. He was released on his own recognizance. The Public Integrity Division is handling the case.

While serving as varsity baseball coach, Snyder allegedly submitted fraudulent reimbursement forms to Valencia High School. He also was in charge of the team's parent-funded booster club account and is accused of paying for personal credit card expenses from that fund. The complaint alleges the crimes occurred between April 2008 and February 2014.

The William S. Hart Unified School District conducted an audit in 2014 after receiving a complaint of financial irregularities in the baseball program. The audit was turned over to the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department.

He is charged with one count each of misappropriation, embezzlement by a public officer, embezzlement by a private officer, and four counts of grand theft.

If convicted, Snyder faces up to six years, eight months in state prison.

The case remains under investigation by the Sheriff's Department.

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